

AN ERIE COUNTY CACHE BLADE

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The cache blade shown in Figure 1 is made of Flint Ridge chalcedony in various shades of gray and caramel. It is 3¹/₄ inches long. The workmanship is excellent and the piece is thin and tabular with large percussion flakes and delicate pressure flaking on the edges.

Although the blade resembles those often found in the Adena culture, it is probably of Hopewell origin. It was found at the Esch Site in Erie County and was once part of the Arthur George "Sarge" Smith collection. Its Hopewell origin lies in the fact that the Esch site — and the Esch Mound — is one of the northernmost expressions known of Ohio Hopewell.



Figure 1 (Swick) Flint Ridge Hopewell 3³/₄ inch cache blade from the Esch Site in Erie County, Ohio.

TWO UNION COUNTY FINDS

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Figure 1 (Coyle) Adena adze and Large Bifurcate.

Shown are two fine pieces found near Bokes Creek in Union County, Ohio. On the left is a 3¹/₈ inch Adena adze made of granitic porphyry. On the right is an Early Archaic Large Bifurcate made of Coshocton flint.